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House Resolution No. 1627

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State collegiate athletic coaches whose teams admirably illustrate the highest standards of sportsmanship, training, teamwork, determination, and drive; and

Whereas, Rich Zvosec has attained considerable distinction as the Head Coach of the University of Missouri-Kansas City Kangaroo basketball team; and

Whereas, the success of Head Coach Rich Zvosec and his basketball Kangaroos during the 2004-2005 competitive season resulted in his selection as the 2005 Mid-Continent Conference Coach of the Year; and

Whereas, the Kangaroo players ended the competitive season with a school record eleven straight wins, all five starters scoring in double figures, a school record twelve conference wins, a tied school record of seven road wins, and four players who scored at least 300 points in a season for the first time in school history; and

Whereas, other season accomplishments include the Kangaroos sweeping Valparaiso in a season series for the first time in school history, IUPUI in a season series for the first time since the 1999-2000 season, and Oral Roberts in a season series for the first time since 2000-2001; and

Whereas, known for building programs, Rich Zvosec has twenty-one years of collegiate coaching experiences, including ten years and nine seasons as a head coach; and

Whereas, Rich Zvosec was the youngest Division I coach when he took over the Saint Francis program in Brooklyn, New York, and he subsequently established a new Division II program at the University of North Florida and served at Millersville University in Pennsylvania; and

Whereas, Head Coach of the Kangaroos since June 5, 2001, Rich Zvosec also is justifiably proud to be known as the loving husband of Sandy and the beloved father of Colin, Devin, and Kailey

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Head Coach Rich Zvosec as the Mid-Continent Conference Coach of the Year for 2005 and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued personal and athletic success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Rich Zvosec of the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

Offered by _______ Representative Leonard (Jonas) Hughes, IV

District No. 42

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1627, adopted March 30, 2005.